Exporter/manufacturer	Weighted- average margin percentage
Daido Steel Co. Ltd Nippon Steel Corporation	31.38 24.41
Hitachi Metals Ltd	27.81
Sanyo Special Steel Co., Ltd Sumitomo Electric Industries, Ltd	31.38 31.38
All Others	26.69

Pursuant to section 735(c)(5)(A) of the Act, the Department has excluded any zero and *de minimis* margins, and any margins determined entirely under section 776 of the Act, from the calculation of the "All Others Rate."

ITC Notification

In accordance with section 733(f) of the Act, we have notified the ITC of our determination. If our final determination is affirmative, the ITC will determine before the later of 120 days after the date of this preliminary determination or 45 days after our final determination whether these imports are materially injuring, or threaten material injury to, the U.S. industry.

Public Comment

Case briefs or other written comments in at least ten copies must be submitted to the Assistant Secretary for Import Administration no later than May 22, 1998, and rebuttal briefs no later than May 29, 1998. A list of authorities used and an executive summary of issues must accompany any briefs submitted to the Department. Such summary should be limited to five pages total, including footnotes. In accordance with section 774 of the Act, we will hold a public hearing, if requested, to afford interested parties an opportunity to comment on arguments raised in case or rebuttal briefs. Tentatively, the hearing will be held on June 2, 1998, time and place to be determined, at the U.S. Department of Commerce, 14th Street and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20230. Parties should confirm by telephone the time, date, and place of the hearing 48 hours before the scheduled time.

Interested parties who wish to request a hearing, or to participate if one is requested, must submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Import Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, Room 1870, within ten days of the publication of this notice. Requests should contain: (1) The party's name, address, and telephone number; (2) the number of participants; and (3) a list of the issues to be discussed. Oral presentations will be limited to issues raised in the briefs. If this investigation proceeds normally, we will make our

final determination by no later than 135 days after the publication of this notice in the **Federal Register**.

This determination is published pursuant to section 777(i) of the Act.

Dated: February 25, 1998.

Robert S. LaRussa,

Assistant Secretary for Import Administration.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

Business Development Trade Mission to the People's Republic of China

AGENCY: International Trade Administration, Department of Commerce.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Under Secretary for International Trade will lead a Business Development trade mission to The People's Republic of China and the special administrative region of Hong Kong to promote expanded trade opportunities and advocate for U.S. business interests in priority sectors throughout China. These sectors include: infrastructure in the transportation and engineering, design and construction fields: construction machinery; air traffic control equipment; information technologies, machine tools; insurance and project finance. The mission, which will occur April 13–22, 1998, will be supported by the U.S. Embassy in Beijing.

DATES: Interested U.S. firms should apply to participate in the mission as soon as possible. All application requirements must be completed by March 21, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information should be made to Damon C. Greer, (202) 482–5023 at the Commerce Department's Office of Energy, Infrastructure and Machinery.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The criteria for selection of mission participants are:

- Relevance of a company's business line to mission goals
- Timeliness of completed application by company (including participation fee)
- Potential of business in China for the company

Any partisan political activities (including political contributions) of an applicant are entirely irrelevant to the selection process.

China represents one of the most dynamic markets in the world and after Japan has the potential of being the largest single market in Asia for U.S. exports. The United States has made progress toward opening China's market to U.S. goods and services. At the World Economic Forum in Davos, Switzerland, Vice Premier Li Lanquing recently announced China's plans to invest more than \$750 billion in infrastructure over the next three years. This development represents a tremendous potential for U.S. capital goods manufacturers and infrastructure development firms. The Under Secretary will meet with senior decision makers in the Chinese government to advocate on behalf of U.S. companies, address market access issues, and work to strengthen Commerce's public/private partnership in China. Business participants will meet with potential clients and business partners, industry groups, and relevant Chinese government agencies. Additionally, meetings will be held with regional and local authorities to discuss opportunities for the sectors represented on the mission.

Dated: February 27, 1998.

Damon C. Greer,

Acting Director, Office of Energy, Infrastructure and Machinery. [FR Doc. 98–5805 Filed 3–4–98; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Northeast Region Logbook Family of Forms; Proposed Collection; Comment Request

SUMMARY: The Department of Commerce, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent burden, invites the general public and other Federal agencies to take this opportunity to comment on proposed and/or continuing information collections, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13 (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)).

DATES: Written comments must be submitted on or before May 4, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Direct all written comments to Linda Engelmeier, Departmental Forms Clearance Officer, Department of Commerce, Room 5327, 14th and Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington DC 20230.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Requests for additional information or